

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered By \_\_\_\_\_

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 221, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by  
2 inserting the following after all of said section and line:

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4 "29.230. 1. In every county which does not elect a county auditor, the state auditor shall  
5 audit, without cost to the county, at least once during the term for which any county officer is chosen,  
6 the accounts of the various county officers supported in whole or in part by public moneys.

7 2. The state auditor shall audit any political subdivision of the state, including counties  
8 having a county auditor, if requested to do so by a petition submitted by a person who resides or  
9 owns real property within the boundaries or area of service of the political subdivision and such  
10 petition is submitted to the state auditor within one year from requesting the petition from the state  
11 auditor and is signed by the requisite percent of the qualified voters of the political subdivision. The  
12 requisite percent of qualified voters to cause such an audit to be conducted shall be determined as  
13 follows:

14 (1) If the number of qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the basis of  
15 the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of the petition is less than one  
16 thousand, twenty-five percent of the qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the  
17 basis of the registered voters eligible to vote at the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing  
18 of the petition;

19 (2) If the number of qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the basis of  
20 the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of the petition is one thousand  
21 or more but less than five thousand, fifteen percent of the qualified voters of the political subdivision  
22 determined on the basis of the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of  
23 the petition, provided that the number of qualified voters signing such petition is not less than two  
24 hundred;

25 (3) If the number of qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the basis of  
26 the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of the petition is five thousand  
27 or more but less than fifty thousand, ten percent of the qualified voters of the political subdivision  
28 determined on the basis of the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of  
29 the petition, provided that the number of qualified voters signing such petition is not less than seven  
30 hundred fifty;

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1 (4) If the number of qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the basis of  
2 the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of the petition is fifty thousand  
3 or more, five percent of the qualified voters of the political subdivision determined on the basis of  
4 the votes cast in the last gubernatorial election held prior to the filing of the petition, provided that  
5 the number of qualified voters signing such petition is not less than five thousand. The political  
6 subdivision shall pay the actual cost of audit. The petition that requests an audit of a political  
7 subdivision shall state on its face the estimated cost of the audit and that it will be paid by the  
8 political subdivision being audited. The estimated cost of the audit shall be provided by the state  
9 auditor within sixty days of such request. The costs of the audit may be billed and paid on an interim  
10 basis with individual billing periods to be set at the state auditor's discretion. Moneys held by the  
11 state on behalf of a political subdivision may be used to offset unpaid billings for audit costs of the  
12 political subdivision. All moneys received by the state in payment of the costs of petition audits shall  
13 be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the "Petition Audit Revolving Trust Fund" which is  
14 hereby created with the state treasurer as custodian. The general assembly may appropriate  
15 additional moneys to the fund as it deems necessary. The state auditor shall administer the fund and  
16 approve all disbursements, upon appropriation, from the fund to apply to the costs of performing  
17 petition audits. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money in the fund  
18 shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue until the amount in the fund at the  
19 end of any biennium exceeds one million dollars. The amount in the fund which shall lapse is the  
20 amount which exceeds one million dollars. No political subdivision shall be audited by petition  
21 more than once in any three calendar or fiscal years.

22 3. Any person who allegedly signed or has signed the original petition may submit a sworn  
23 statement to the state auditor that the person did not sign such petition or that the person wishes to  
24 rescind such signature. Such statement shall be required to be made within ten days from submission  
25 of the petition to the state auditor. If such statement is timely filed, such signature shall be  
26 withdrawn and shall not count in the determination of the number of qualified voters necessary to  
27 compel an audit under subsection 2 of this section."; and

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29 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
30 accordingly.